What is claimed is:

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- A stage apparatus provided with a holder having a substrate holding surface
  which holds a substrate, and a stage which supports and moves the holder, comprising:

   a recovery device, which is disposed in the vicinity of the holder, that has a
  lyophilic portion, of which at least a part is lyophilic, and that recovers a liquid
  using the lyophilic portion.
- A stage apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said recovery device has a suction device that suctions the liquid guided to said lyophilic portion.
- A stage apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein
   said substrate is suctioned to said holder, and suction force of said suction device is
   greater than suction force that suctions said substrate.

4. A stage apparatus according to Claim 2 or Claim 3, wherein said suction device is disposed below said lyophilic portion, and said lyophilic portion has an inclined portion, which is inclined toward said suction device.

- 20 5. A stage apparatus according to any one of Claim 1 through Claim 4, wherein said recovery device has a first portion that is higher than said substrate holding surface.
  - 6. A stage apparatus according to any one of Claim 1 through Claim 5, wherein said recovery device has a recessed portion that suctions the liquid by the capillary phenomenon.

- A stage apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein at least a part of said recessed portion is lyophilic.
- 8. A stage apparatus according to any one of Claim 1 through Claim 7, wherein said recovery device has a surface that is substantially parallel to said substrate holding surface, and a liquid repellent portion of which at least a part is liquid repellent.
- A stage apparatus according to any one of Claim 1 through Claim 8, wherein
   at least a part of said holder is liquid repellent.
  - A stage apparatus according to any one of Claim 1 through Claim 9, wherein said substrate holding surface is liquid repellent.
- 15 11. A stage apparatus according to any one of Claim 1 through Claim 10, wherein said lyophilic portion is disposed so that a space is formed between an outer circumferential part of said substrate and said lyophilic portion.
- 12. A stage apparatus according to any one of Claim 1 through Claim 11, wherein
   20 a portion of said holder that opposes said lyophilic portion is liquid repellent.
  - An exposure apparatus, comprising:
     a stage apparatus according to any one of Claim 1 through Claim 12.
- 25 14. An exposure method that exposes a pattern onto a substrate held by a holder,

comprising the steps of:

disposing a lyophilic portion, at least a part of which is lyophilic, in the vicinity of the holder;

supplying liquid to the substrate; and

- 5 exposing the pattern.
  - 15. An exposure method according to Claim 14, further comprising the step of: recovering part of the liquid using said lyophilic portion.
- 10 16. An exposure method according to Claim 14, wherein a part of said holder is liquid repellent.

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